

FRAGMENTS OF A HUMAN BODY DUG

SEARCHING FOR BOSS IN FLOOD THE HEAD-TH

NASHVILLE, Jan. 26.—During the past eight days intense excitement has reigned in this

On Monday, Jan. 17, while Mr. Clifton of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railroad was walking on the west side of Belleville street he saw a human arm protruding from a pile of tank bark. He made no investigation, but told several persons about it, and that evening Eugene Holt went to the spot and saw the arm sticking out of the earth. He at once reported the discovery, and Deputy Coroner Hood, who was summoned, dug into the tank bark and unearthed parts of a terribly mutilated body, which was identified that of a Negro man.

The left arm, the legs, and the head had been severed from the body. The trunk was found a short distance from the rest of the pieces, but the head could not be found, although many men searched until late in the afternoon. Next day the Deputy Coroner with a posse again searched for the head, but without success. The Coroner had the arms washed, and it was believed that the murdered man was a white man. On his left arm several letters and figures, apparently done in India ink, were discovered. "M A T N" were distinct.

Prof. Wharton of Vanderbilt University made a minute examination of the supposed tattooing. He applied a preparation which restored the skin to its natural color, and to some extent removed the discoloration. He concluded that the marks were due to a suffusion of blood under the skin, and the formation of the letters

In the right hand was found a tuft of hair which it is presumed was taken from the head of the victim. The coroner, Dr. J. C. McQuinn, on Wednesday the undertaker advanced the theory that the body was mutilated by a novice in body snatching, who, after having cut off the head, was unable to find it inconvenient to carry, and chopped it up so that it might be conveyed in a sack; that when he presented the body to the doctors they asked him to cut off the head, and he thought that being the only part of value to a medical student. He believed the presence of a rope around one of the wrists explained how the body moved from the car to the house.

Another theory was that the victim was

by pieces. Another theory was that the man was a workman who had been killed for his wages; still another was that he was a live stock dealer, and that he was killed while returning from the stock yard, or that he was enticed into a disorderly house and killed.

Various other theories were proposed, but still no clue was found. Several men who were reported missing turned up alive, and the authorities were at their wits' end. On Thurs-

multitask, had been missing for sometime. The search for a clue and the missing head was kept up, but all efforts proved fruitless. On Friday it was found that a drummer representing a Cincinnati firm had been missing for two weeks. An investigation showed that he had really been missing, but had turned up in New Orleans. On Saturday and Sunday detectives and reporters were hard at work connecting links of evidence that pointed to Frank

and certain colored men as knowing something about the crime.

Confession in possession of the authorities warranted the arrest of the suspected persons. At a very late hour last night detectives drove to the farm of the United States Senator Howell L. Jackson, eight miles west of the city, and arrested a colored man, a colored preacher, who has been employed by Senator Jackson as dairyman. The officers next visited the house of Ben Brown, colored, who lives on a nearby farm. Brown, colored, well armed, was not in the house, which was guarded by the Vaughns. A colored youth named Noshay, who formerly lived with the Vaughns, was taken to the police, who arrested him.

Arnold was for two years a resident of the Tenth district. Two months ago he went "possum hunting" and was shot in the back by a man who had an axe and a gun. Arnold was missed the next day, and has not been seen since. A short time afterward Ben Brown took possession of Arnold's house and furniture and other property. He had signed a mortgage, alleged to have been signed by Arnold, conveying his property to Brown in consideration of a loan of \$100.

document was a black maid, whereas Arnold was a light mulatto. The coroner's jury was unable to find anything something to do with the disappearance of Arnold, and the investigation that followed resulted in these arrests.

It is supposed that Arnold was killed in the woods near the city, and his body was cut up, and burned piece by piece. Brown, when questioned about the matter, said Arnold had gone to Cleveland, Ohio, from which city he wrote the letter that was true.

The arrests created a great sensation.

The coroner's jury met to-night and examined a number of witnesses. The body was found in the woods near the city, and the body was identified as that of Arnold. Noshay,

old went hunting with Brown, and he never saw him again. The jury was in session until a late hour, and the testimony was largely to the effect that the police have the right man in custody. Ben Brown has not yet been arraigned.

34 a Week Nothing to Her.

Mary Halpen of 262 West Forty-first street was complainant at Essex Market yesterday against her husband, Michael H. Halpen, a driver on a Sixth avenue car. She said he did not give her enough money to support her and was "lying around the city with other women."

Halpen and his wife went around with other men, she said. She said she was the manager of the Essex market.

clothe, and washed his shirt.

Joe McKeon declared that Ripan should pay his wife \$4 a week. Mrs. Ripan said she would not accept such a settlement. The Court said she could take that or nothing. She said she would take nothing, and bounced angrily out of the court room.

Signal Office Prediction.

Generally fair weather during the day, followed during the night by local rain; no decided change in temperature.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Mary Edmon, aged 4, was killed yesterday by falling

Mr. Jelen Kelly was still improving a little last night after his release from Monday, but permanent amputation of the leg is still for the future.

The Health Board resolved yesterday so to amend the Sanitary code that it will prohibit the use of soiled straw as carrying for horse cars.

It was Actor Lawrence Hanley and not Mort Hanley who was shot in the back of the head on Monday evening. Mort Hanley is manager of Harrison's Park Theatre.

The Police Commissioner has also added the Corporation of the City of New York to the list of organizations that are required to file a report with the police department on a regular basis. The report is due on or before the 15th day of each month. The report is due on or before the 15th day of each month. The report is due on or before the 15th day of each month.

Mrs. Hume got \$1,000 damages from the city because she fell on the ice in Hamilton street and broke her leg yesterday for loss of her services.

A detective Blue found a chimney fire yesterday in the rear of the home of **John H. Hume** of 407 Lexington avenue. The chimneys were at the hospital at the time. The damage was trifling.

Catherine Dwyer of 101 West 11th street, on Sunday at the reputed age of 70 years, was buried yesterday in Calvary in this country 40 years.

Alderman Dwyer moved and all the Democratic Aldermen voted for and passed yesterday at the city hall a resolution authorizing the printing to a home

The Alderman's resolutions of sympathy with the widow and family of the late Gen. Grant have been beautifully engrossed in a \$500 album bound with blue plush, and will be presented in a few days. The book was on exhibition at the City Hall yesterday.